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Our Case No.: 10781/9

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ioannis Pallikaris et al.

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Serial No.: 09/911,356

Group Art Unit No.: 2873

Filing Date: July 23, 2001

For: DEVICE FOR SEPARATING THE
EPITHELIUM LAYER FROM THE
SURFACE OF THE CORBEA OF
AN EYE

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by

the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

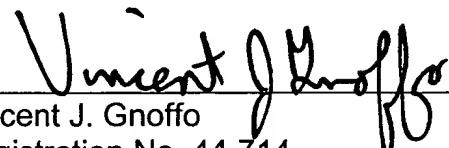
No.	Date	Name
6,335,006	January 1, 2002	Miller
4,798,204	January 17, 1989	L'Esperance, Jr.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in
the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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Inventor(s) Ioannis Pallikaris et al.			
Title of Invention DEVICE FOR SEPARATING THE EPITHELIUM LAYER FROM THE SURFACE OF THE CORNEA OF AN EYE			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3pp. Filed in Dup.); Form PTO 1449 (1p. 2 cited referenced); and PTO Reply Postcard.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
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- Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
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x \$9 =	
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